

BOUBOULINA—CAPTAIN IN SKIRTS

Black Says There Are No Plans For Issue Of New Lidice Stamp

Both the New York Sun of July 10th and the New York Times of July 12th carried stories emanating from (presumably) Paul Berdanier that he (Berdanier) had been commissioned to design a stamp to honor the ill-fated Czech town of Lidice and the proclamation of the Atlantic Charter—the stamp to be issued August 14th.

The Washington Stamp Exchange, of Newark, New Jersey, in order to prepare "Artcraft" covers for the first day of the reported stamp—and desiring official confirmation of its issue, telegraphed the Post Office Department regarding the issue on July 13th.

There is no such stamp contemplated. Here is a copy of the telegram received from the department:

"Washington Stamp Exchange, Newark, New Jersey. Department has no plans for the issuance of a Lidice stamp."

Black, Third Ass't. It looks as though someone has announced a stamp issue without consulting the Post Office Department about the matter. We respectfully suggest to our New York Editor friends that they verify stories of new issues before giving publicity to the stories submitted to them by the artists who hope to be commissioned to design stamps.

If new issues are contemplated we all hope that the Department will allow time enough to enable the first day cover collectors to get set for the issue and for the publishers of envelopes to get out nice ones.

Ethiopia Is Restored; News Stamps Tell Story

Mr. S. L. Bayer of the Penny Black Stamp Company of New York, sends visible proof of the use of the new postage stamps recently announced for Ethiopia-Abyssinia. Listing and chronicle of these has already been made but Mr. Bayer sends a photo of a censored cover which is a first day use of the new stamps. In addition to the new stamp, the cover bears five of the old air mail stamps but these are left uncanceled since doubtless all stamps in use prior to the Italian conquest of the country have been demonetized.

WATCH EVERYTHING

Reports are coming from all directions with regard to part perf of current U. S. stamps. Latest to be reported is 1½c Martha Washington with many perfs missing between stamps. It is apt to turn up anywhere, in fact any current U. S. may be found in part perf, condition until conditions at the Bureau are remedied. Keep your eyes peeled.

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REMEMBER THE N. R. A? BE PREPARED THIS TIME

Billions of the N. R. A. Postage stamp were issued. Few collectors thought to buy a sheet and lay it away. The use of the stamp was discontinued quite suddenly and found collectors and dealers without stocks and as a result the stamp took a very sudden jump in unused value. Remember also that this stamp was 'gagged about' because it was pointed out that the business man in the group was "out of step" with labor. While this "gag" had nothing to do with the sudden withdrawal of the stamp, it is well to remember this stamp and think of the Defense issue at the same time. These three stamps will probably stop coming very suddenly and will you have your supply laid aside.

The Truth At Last Hitler To Mussolini

From Gabriel T. Turula of Rochester, N. Y., comes a clipping from The Catholic Review in which is one of those "Strange But True" illustrated story pictures by M. J. Murray in which is shown an illustration of a letter purported to have been written to the Devil himself. The letter is said to be in the Girgenti Cathedral in Sicily. It is stated that the script is unique and undecipherable but is said to be a promise from the devil to stop tormenting a man.

Probably nothing more than a message from Hitler to Mussolini for is he not the devil come to earth and as for his promises, believe none of them.

M. J. Murray, author of the illustrated "Strange But True" feature published in The Catholic Review states that there is an extensive and up to date Philatelic Museum in the Vatican.

Postmaster Gen. Walker Sends First Day China Cover To Chiang Kai-Shek

A first-day cover from Postmaster General Frank C. Walker to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, addressed to the latter at the Chinese capital in Chungking, China, was the first to be cancelled as the new Chinese Commemorative Postage Stamp went on sale at the Denver, Colorado post office today.

The new Chinese stamp, which is being issued in the five-cent denomination, and which commemorates five years of Chinese resistance to Japanese aggression, will be placed on general sale throughout the country July 8th, or as soon thereafter as distribution will permit.

In his message to the Chinese leader, enclosed in the cover, the Postmaster General said, in part: "It is the purpose of this stamp to express the admiration of the United States for the courageous resistance of the Chinese Nation to military aggression, and to focus attention upon the cause to which we are jointly dedicated—that government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

WE WELCOME NEWS

George B. Sloane, New York stamp dealer thought so much of seeing his name in the columns of this paper that he sent a postal card thanking us for the same. All of which again should call attention of all stamp dealers to the fact that every one of them should send us a postal card as often as possible with a brief bit of stamp news. Such cooperation would produce remarkable results and the constant use of their name in the paper with such news items is the best kind of publicity and publicity which they can not buy.

Laskarina Bou Boulina, A Queen Among Women, A Hero Among Heroes, And An Inspiration

By Ann Arpadjoglou

"Tripolitsa has fallen! Tripolitsa has fallen!" This magic cry ran the length and height of Greece like wildfire. It was unbelievable! Tripoli, otherwise known as Tripolitsa, was one of the most important cities in the Peloponnesos. Furthermore it was well protected by a crack garrison. Was it really possible for the insurgents to have had such a colossal initial success? It was, Tripolitsa, the capital of Peloponnesos, had indeed fallen.

It is hard to describe the joy and gratitude of the Greek population of Tripolitsa when the first columns of the conquerors began marching in. But soon their joy was mingled with justifiable curiosity when they noticed among the leaders, the figure of a woman, mounted on a white charger, entering the town in triumph.

Sound Reasoning Makes Cleveland A. P. S. Meeting In August Justifiable

"Vacations are desirable from the standpoint of public health, efficiency and morale, and vacation business has furnished a means of livelihood to many people in various parts of the country." This statement was recently made by Joseph B. Eastman, Director, Office of Defense Transportation, and prominently quoted by a number of railroads in justification of their vacation trip advertisements.

A great deal of misunderstanding seem to have developed recently due to the Director's request that conventions and fairs be cancelled this year in order that there may be no interference with the necessary transportation of war material and travel by our armed forces.

However, this request was mainly directed against large conventions of national organizations, such as the American Legion, The American Bankers Association, The Shrine, and others who draw thousands of visitors to a convention city. No one will be so sanguine as to expect that a philatelic convention ever will draw such crowds as to seriously interfere with the orderly traffic of the railroads and cause serious congestion and interference with the necessary war transportation.

Therefore, the Cleveland Convention committee has felt that there is no objection to the holding of the 57th Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society, which convention is scheduled in Cleveland, Ohio, August 12 to 16. Attending a national philatelic convention is a vacation to the stamp collector and as such quite necessary for the efficiency of the individual. Relaxing and enjoying a stamp convention at a beautiful vacation resort such as Cleveland on the shores of Lake Erie cannot help but aid the war effort by increasing one's morale and efficiency as well as help one to better withstand the strain of the present time.

To reduce week-end traffic congestion the Convention will not open until the morning of Wednesday, August 12, thereby giving visitors ample opportunity to leave their home town after the heavy week-end traffic is over.

Cleveland is easily accessible by train, boat, air and automobile and is situated such as to place half of the population of the United States and Canada within an overnight's ride.

Gibraltar issued stamps for 44 years before one was issued depicting the world's most famous Rock.

—Philatopic Monthly.

She was a sight never to be forgotten. Tanned, majestic, self-possessed, suggesting unlimited energy in every joint and muscle of her brawny make up. There was something of the tang of the salt water in her, an air suggesting the big expanse of sea and sky. The crowds were spell-bound. Then they knew. She couldn't be anybody else but Bouboulina. They were right. She was.

Laskarina Bouboulina. The great lady of the Revolution. A figure unique in the annals of feminine achievement, was at the time of her triumphant entry into Tripolitsa a woman of fifty. She was as strong as a prize-fighter and as generous as only a really superior person can be.

Her entrance into Tripolitsa was a fortunate thing. Because it was due to her prestige and strong demonstrations that the invaders refrained from attacking the harems of the Turkish officials. A few days previous to the fall of the city the Turkish governor approached Bouboulina on the subject and begged her support. She promised to do her utmost. And she kept her word.

But who was this remarkable woman who was destined to play such an important part in the Revolutionary war? Was she an aristocrat or a woman of the people? To what factors, inherited and environmental, may her great courage and her astounding human qualities be attributed?

Bouboulina was the daughter of the Greek archipelago. She was the descendant of a long line of Greek mariners reared in the traditions of sailing in the Mediterranean. Her father was a captain. Her mother was the daughter of a prominent family of Hydra. As a little girl and later, as a woman, she loved the lapping of the waves against the hull of a sailing boat.

Laskarina saw the light of day in a prison cell in Constantinople. Destiny had it that way. Instead of opening her eyes for the first time upon the golden and blue

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U. S. Post Office Seals

1877 Brown "Post Oblitus"	\$5.00
1879 Brown	.15
Block of four	.75
1888 Brown, imperforate	.35
Brown, perforated (shades)	.12
Block of four	.50
1892 Brown, rouletted	1.00
1901 Brown, lithographed	.60
1907 Blue	.10
Block of four	.50
1916 Black on Pink	.25
1917 Black	.05
Block of four	.30
1919 Black	.04
Block of four	.15

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Big Streamlined Rotary Presses Have Modernized Postage Stamp Printing Methods Of Yesteryear

Last week we concluded our story on stamp printing at a point where the printing plate had been approved and was ready for the press. That however would depend on the type of press that was to be used, whether a flat bed or a modern rotary press which prints from curved plates.

Up until recent years, all engraving, that is printing from engraved plates was done on flat bed presses from flat plates.

AIR MAIL COVERS
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The first flight from Bellingham, Wash., on AM-57 took place on Friday, July 10th. In honor of the event, the P. O. Dept. issued a pictorial first flight cachet, which was applied in purple ink to all first flight covers. This cachet shows a Douglas Transport Plane flying over the snow-capped Cascade Mountains, while in a rectangle near the lower-left side of the cachet is the wording U. S. AIR MAIL-FIRST FLIGHT-AM 57. In block letters at the left-hand side of the illustration is the name BELLINGHAM, while on the top of the illustration is WASHINGTON. Details as to cancellations, back-stamps, and quantity of covers issued will appear in a later issue.

On June 26th, the Civil Aeronautics Board approved the carrying of mail by Pan-American Airways from New York City, N. Y. to (a) San Juan, Puerto Rico, (b) Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, (c) Belem, Brazil, and (d) Natal, Brazil. It is presumed that this service has already been inaugurated, which is the first direct airmail by PAA from New York City to points in Latin-America.

Permission to carry persons with priority ratings and also baggage and airmail to and from Great Falls, Mont., was granted to Northwest Airlines by the Civil Aeronautics Board on July 9th. Great Falls will be a stop on AM-3 between Billings, Mont., and Butte, Mont. It is not known as yet if the first flight has taken place, but this is the first time that Great Falls has received service via AM13, and therefore first flight covers may be listed in the catalogue.

U. S. APPROVALS

Have had several inquiries lately asking how much a collector must purchase to receive approvals—so in answer to that will say that the same service will be given to the small buyer as to the larger. Reference appreciated.

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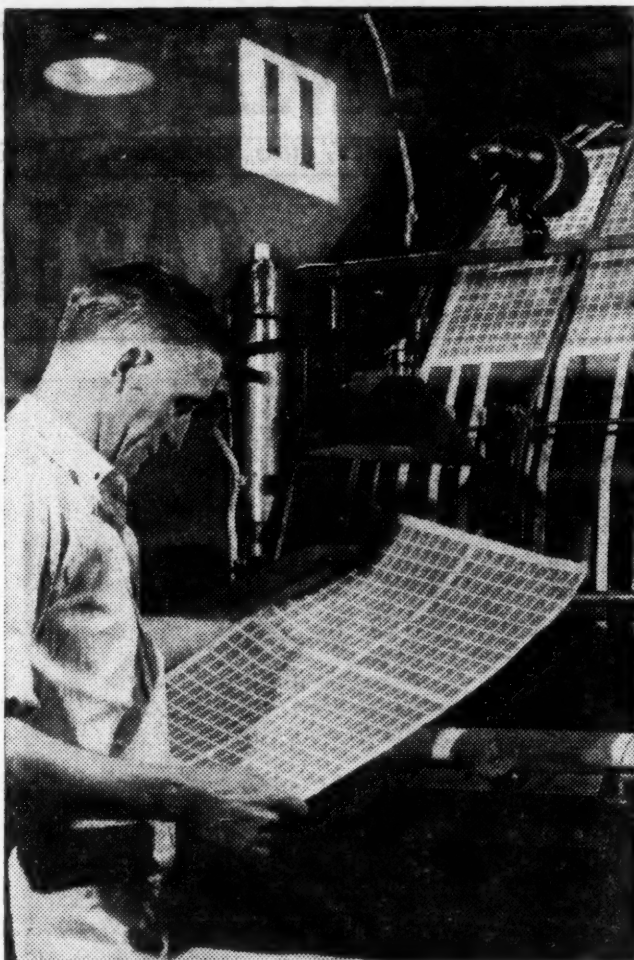
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Big Presses Print Stamps



BROADWAY
THE NEW
Chatter

Nothing much doing in this big town of ours this week, except topic of gossip changed from the coming "Green" sales to U. S. imperforates again. New York Sun, carried the story that an imperforate sheet of \$20 Documentary stamps were sold over the counter at the Philatelic Agency. Most of the stamps, so the Sun says, went to Ickes, Morton Dean Joyce, Phil Ward Jr., and Paul Conway. Are these the forerunner of Walkers "Folies"?

The Morton Joyce mentioned above, is one of the leading U. S. collectors, besides his wonderful collection of revenues, he has a very fine collection of plate number booklet panes, and plate number coil stamps. I know this because I have enriched his collection on a few booklet pane plate numbers. Incidentally while on booklet pane plate numbers, Mr. Joyce's collection feature an excellent showing in the Lindbergh Air-mail panes.

Ickes of course is always around whenever an unusual item of U. S. is given away. Phil Ward Jr., is the well known Philadelphia dealer and Paul Conway is said to be a Washington stamp broker.

Any of you readers visiting New York about when this item is published, can if you care to, see an exhibition of Free French Stamps and Banknotes at the Freedom House, 32 East 51st Street. Available will be the new definitive series which was printed in London.

As previously mentioned watch your step in buying stamps issued by Vichy for these Free French Colonies. These issues cannot be recognized as stamps as they were never sent to these colonies, and wouldn't be acceptable for use there even if they were sent there.

It looks like I called the turn on the "Happy Dane" Paul Bliss, he really is going in for philatelic literature. Now he announces that he has purchased all the philatelic books from the estate of Wm. Handshaw, for-

mer Nassau St. dealer. This coming so shortly after the Auerbach purchase, draw your own conclusions.

For a change the dealers who handle Scott's catalogue are happy. Scott has taken advantage of the New York Law which allows manufacturers to fix the price of their articles. There will be no price cutting this year on Scott Catalogues.

I am anxiously awaiting the approach of my annual summer vacation, will see nothing of stamps for two whole weeks. I hope I am going up to the Adirondacks, hope to get in some good fishing etc.

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1 Air (4)	1.25
Russia: Peoples Army (1)	.22
Same used (1)	.10
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Special stamps to commemorate the conclusion of Peace in the World War of 1914-18 were ordered by the government of the Bahamas early in 1919, but owing to pressure of work at the De La Rue establishment were not finally placed on sale until March 1st, 1920. Five denominations comprised the set, all recess printed in large format, with a design which incorporates beside the head of H. M. King George V the official badge of the colony; a seventeenth-century sailing ship encircled by a Garter whereon is inscribed the motto of the colony, "Expulsis Piratis—Commercium Restituit," having reference to the unenviable notoriety of the Bahamas as a resort for buccanniers in the days before the British occupation. Sheets consisted of 60 stamps, arranged in 10 rows of 6.

These stamps were in concurrent circulation with the regular stamp issue of the colony for about twelve months, and so far as is known there was but one printing. No figures are available as to "numbers printed," but it may be assumed that the total printing of the 1s, value did not exceed 36,000 copies.

A second commemorative stamp issue was planned nine years later, in connection with the celebration of the tercentenary of colonisation and the two hundredth anniversary of the first meeting of the General Assembly. Again there was delay in delivery, so that the issue did not actually take place until January 2nd, 1930.

The central device reproduces the Seal of the colony, engraved with the same design and motto as appears on the badge. Above it and immediately under the name "BAHAMAS" are three scrolls inscribed with the dates 1629, 1769, and 1929, the second date being that of the institution of the General Assembly.

Again there are five denominations, engraved and recess printed by Messrs. Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co. Ltd. of New Malden, whose imprint is found upon the bottom margins of the sheets of 60 subjects (12 rows of 5).

These stamps remained on sale, concurrently with the normal issue, until April 20th, 1931, when they were withdrawn from circulation and the unsold "remainder" destroyed, officially, on May 26th following. The quantities sold of each denomination were: 1d., 167,446; 3d., 34,556; 5d., 27,155; 2s., 11,689; and 3s., 10,303. Of the 2s, value a considerable proportion was fiscally employed.

Market values of these two sets have risen sharply during the last few years. In the case of the second, or "Tercentenary" series, this was catalogued in 1935 at £1 19s. 6d., but now stands at nearly £4.

Stamp Collecting, London.

A postage stamp of the Transvaal almost caused an uprising in 1894 because the engraver had made a mistake in designing the "diesel-boom" or single-poled wagon, with two poles. The people used the wagon as a symbol and new stamps had to be printed to avoid a revolt.

—Philatopic Monthly.

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And so I say to those who have spent pleasant hours studying the stamps of Greece and thus have come to know the heroic spirit and glorious heritage of the freedom-loving people of Greece, let us be true to the trust that millions of anguished hearts have placed in America. Let us, each in his own way, keep alive those elements of Greek civilization which the Greeks of olden times and the present have bestowed upon us. Even the most humble collector, the newest convert to the art and science of philately, is helping in this cause if, through the study of his hobby, he gains some measure of understanding of other peoples and other nations—and passes on this understanding and sympathy to his neighbors.

BASIL VLAVIANOS
Publisher, The National Herald



BY KENNETH M. GIERHART
Baltimore, Ohio

"A" Pricing.

I understand that in some quarters there has been some agitation to have the Bureau catalogue priced on an A standard rather than the present B standard. I for one heartily oppose this because it would increase some items to such an extent that a lot of prospective collectors would be chased away. Nevertheless I can understand why those who collect A copies only would want this, for although the catalogue advises a 25% increase for A copies with a minimum, yet in most cases the price is just what the seller fancied it was worth or thought the traffic would stand. If the catalogue was priced A condition this of course would protect those who collect only that standard of material. Yet on the other hand there would be quite a time to get collectors and dealers to price their material down for B condition and I think this would ruin a lot of interest in Bureau Print collecting. One of the finest things ever devised was the A, B, and C grading of stamps as illustrated and used in the Bureau catalogue. It has come to my attention that this type of grading in some form or other has already filtered over into the foreign stamp field and I expect it will be more and more in use as the soundness of its purpose has become apparent. One defect has appeared in this form of classifying and it came from the interpretation or rather misinterpretation either wilfully or unknowingly in classification B. I have noted where B classification has been placed on items where the line between the perforations and the frame line of the stamp has been almost microscopic yet there. I don't believe the catalogue makers intentions were just quite that. So I again advise consideration of adding just one more condition. The now used C to cover items that are very close and just touch and D to cover the items where perforations cut in on one or more sides.

Bureau Precanceled postage stamps in sheets and coils issued in June 1942.

New Towns—Van Nuys, Calif., 1c Pres. coil. Portsmouth, N. Hamp. 1c Defense sheet.

New Presidential sheets—Indianapolis, Ind., 1½c; Boston, Mass., 1½c and 6c; Detroit, Mich., 1½c; St. Paul, Minn., 9c; New York, N. Y., 6c and Seattle, Wash., 1½c and 12c.

New Defense—Phoenix, Ariz., 1c; San Diego, Calif., 1c; Elmhurst, Ill., 1c; New Orleans, La., 3c (a 1c Defense was issued in May but omitted in last listing.) Boston, Mass., 1c and 2c; Chillicothe, Mo., 1c; Kansas City, Mo., 3c; Canton, Ohio, 1c; Philadelphia, Pa., 1c; Pittsburgh, Pa., 2c; Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 1c; Sioux Falls, S. Dak., 1c.

The following new postoffices were authorized to issue Bureau printed precancels, during the month of June, 1942.

Atalla, Alabama; Western Grove, Arkansas; California Hot Springs, Calif.; Rivera, California; *Mystic, Connecticut; Mulberry, Indiana; Bison, Kansas; Kipp, Kansas; Glenarm, Maryland; *Auburn, Michigan; Washington, Mississippi; Rivermines, Missouri; Laurens, New York; Almont, North Dakota; Delaware Water Gap, Penna.; Jamestown, Rhode Island; Germantown, Tennessee; Randolph, Texas.

Win The War Stamps May Come Imperforate

With perforating machines at Washington performing so poorly as they are at present collectors should watch these new Win The War stamps for part perf. varieties. Already Ronald Cochran of Glen Ridge, N. J. reports finding a sheet in which there are several missing perf. holes between certain stamps. The sheet was from plate 22944 upper left pane. The missing perfs. were in the lower right corner block of 25 stamps.

of Defense City types which also will be a good list for town collectors to check. Remember the old "MISSOURI MULE" that mimeographed sheet which was third cousin to the DODGER, wonder what ever became of the MULE. Anyway percancel collectors interested in Missouri and the Missouri Precancel Club should write Joe R. Aid, Jr. Sec. West Plains Mo. The Checklist was mailed with a 1c 1927 Fair Play. Mo. precancel.

Bureau Precanceled postage stamps in sheets and coils issued in June 1942.

New Towns—Van Nuys, Calif., 1c Pres. coil. Portsmouth, N. Hamp. 1c Defense sheet.

New Presidential sheets—Indianapolis, Ind., 1½c; Boston, Mass., 1½c and 6c; Detroit, Mich., 1½c; St. Paul, Minn., 9c; New York, N. Y., 6c and Seattle, Wash., 1½c and 12c.

New Defense—Phoenix, Ariz., 1c; San Diego, Calif., 1c; Elmhurst, Ill., 1c; New Orleans, La., 3c (a 1c Defense was issued in May but omitted in last listing.) Boston, Mass., 1c and 2c; Chillicothe, Mo., 1c; Kansas City, Mo., 3c; Canton, Ohio, 1c; Philadelphia, Pa., 1c; Pittsburgh, Pa., 2c; Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 1c; Sioux Falls, S. Dak., 1c.

The following new postoffices were authorized to issue Bureau printed precancels, during the month of June, 1942.

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U. S. AUCTION PRICES

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HARMER, ROOKE & CO., INC., AUCTION SALE held June 25th at 551-5th Ave., N. Y. C. A 5c, 1847, on cover, not tied, with "Vermont & Mass. R. R." in orange circle, @ \$27. 10c, #29E, reprint, superb, mint (\$12), @ \$10.25. 3c, #33, on three different railroad covers, @ \$4 each. 5c, #34, V. F., used (\$40), @ \$26. 10c, #35a, used (\$7.50), @ \$5.50. 10c Type IV. #35c, 74 LI in the plate, recut at top, superb, black grid (\$85), @ \$42.50. 1c type IIIa, PL IV, #42b, horiz. pair, blue town, cent. and V. F., @ \$25. 1861 August, 5c brown, #57, bright copy with trial target cancel in lower right corner, @ \$125. 24c, #60a, blue Cincinnati cancel, fine shade (\$60), @ \$28. 24c India plate proof, #60 P3, superb (\$17.50), over Cat. @ \$18.50. 15c Type I, #118, V. F., used, @ \$8.50. 90c (122P3), superb, unused block of 4 in India proofs (\$60), @ \$47.50. The mint block of 4 of this stamp catalogues \$2,000 hence this item makes a splendid space filler. 1c, #314, C. L. block, superb, O. G., N. H. (\$60), @ \$47.50. Same, complete matched set blocks of 6, with Impt. and P#, V. F., O. G., N. H. (\$70), @ \$55. Same, complete set arrow blocks, V. F., O. G., N. H. (\$70), @ \$52.50. 2c, #324, O. G. block of 4, V. F., @ \$3.25. 2c coil pair, #459, V. F., O. G. (\$120), @ \$62. 2c, #519, O. G. block of 4, V. F. (\$125), @ \$60. In the Revenues, the \$200, #R132, cent. and L. C., slight thin spot, very pretty, @ \$151. The \$500, #R133, three fine margins, brilliant, one of the finest known copies of a standard rarity (\$1,250), @ \$805.00.

RUMARK COMPANY 32ND AUCTION SALE held June 27th at 116 Nassau St., N. Y. C. Lots consisted mostly of U. S. and U. S. Possessions. 2c, #73, cent., V. F., used (\$1), over Cat. @ \$1.25. 4c Pan-Am., #296, block of 4, V. F., O. G. (\$15), @ \$7.25. 5c, #326, O. G. block of 8 with B. imprint and P#, almost cent., @ \$25. 10c, #327, O. G. block of 4 with horiz. line, fine (\$55), @ \$31.50. 2c, Hudson-Fulton, #375, block of 6 with R. impt. and P#, O. G., V. F., @ \$7.60. 3c coil, #445, O. G., V. F. single, @ \$5.50. 2c, #461, perfs touch at L, O. G. (\$8), @ \$4.30. 1c, #536, cent., mint, superb, @ \$3.90. 2c, #572, L. C., block of 4, V. F. (\$4), @ \$2.70. 5c Norse #621, superb, O. G. block of 4 (\$8), @ \$4. 3c Defense, #901, mint block of 4, imperf. vertically, without trace of blind perfs, six blocks known, @ \$37.50. #C13-C15, Graf Zepp set, O. G., V. F., @ \$27. 50c Graf Zepp, #C18, V. F., mint (\$2.25). @ \$1.75. In the Revenues, \$3 lake, #R183, V. F. (\$10), @ \$4.90; and the 18c and \$1.60 wines (#RE40, RE51), V. F., together @ \$6. About 150 wholesale and combination lots brought prices somewhat in advance of recent sales.

JAMES R. ARNOLD 32nd POSTAL HISTORY AUCTION held June 30th at Metuchen, N. J. A Savannah to Phila. Stampless, marked "4" in brown only, scarce

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TEAMWORK AND COOPERATION NEEDED

We print in this issue a news item from Mr. Wm. C. Webb of Newark, N. J., in which is quoted a telegram from Third Assistant Postmaster General Ramsey S. Black, in which Mr. Black states "Department has no plans for issuance of a Lidice stamp." Lidice you should know is the unfortunate Czechoslovak village in which Reinhard Heydrich, Hitler Gestapo agent was killed and which was laid waste and destroyed in reprisal by Hitler.

We are making the above statements and calling attention to the printed announcement because we do not trust the information printed and given out. In other words we are printing rumors and want you to look upon these words as rumors.

You may ask, why do we print rumors, why not wait until facts are established and then print the facts. That dear reader is what we would like to do, but in present day newspaper business one can not do business in that manner because the source that is able to state facts is so uncertain that one can not know whether a statement is a fact or whether it is a camouflage.

Two reputable New York newspapers are quoted as saying that a Lidice stamp is to be issued. James Waldo Fawcett in his column in the Sunday Star of Washington, D. C. also stated the stamp is announced, yet Mr. Black denies it. When such a situation confronts one, one can only print the statements and claim them to be rumors, yet the papers that published the statements may have information on which they are ready to stake their reputation and will insist that these statements are not rumors.

In other words, maybe Mr. Black does not know what he is talking about. Just who makes the decisions as to new stamps. Is it Mr. Black, Postmaster General Frank C. Walker or perhaps orders from President Roosevelt. In this present crucial situation we can believe the latter might be the best and if such is the case, how are we going to find out in advance, just what is to be done.

My object in pointing out these matters is to try to let collectors know just how uncertain these matters are and how difficult it is to learn facts. Also to show you collectors what a difficult time publishers of envelopes have in getting facts in sufficient time to properly design and offer envelopes for first day covers.

Some might say that we are making a mountain out of a mole hill, but such is not the case. Back in 1932 we had direct information from people in high positions in Franklin, New Hampshire, that a stamp was to be issued honoring Daniel Webster. We printed that information in Linn's Weekly Stamp News at that time. Immediately there was a denial by the Post Office Department at Washington, stating that the stamp was not to be issued. We reiterated our assertion that the stamp was to be issued and sure enough, it came with due announcement from the Post Office Department a week or so later.

The situation was simply that we had beat the gun, by getting information through a source that knew, before the Department had made the announcement and it therefore denied, when doubtless it was a fact known to the Department better than we ourselves knew it.

Why all the secrecy, why not complete and thorough cooperation. In our case at least, we are attempting to publish a NEWSPAPER for stamp collectors, we want the news when it is news. We are not running a magazine, we are seriously trying to make this a real Weekly Philatelic Newspaper and we will gladly cooperate in the best traditions of the newspaper game if we can have such friendly service and cooperation from Officials at Washington.

We have on different occasions made the statement that there should be associated with the Department at Washington, a Philatelist who thoroughly and completely understands all philatelic problems. The advice of such a person would go a long way in clarifying many situations which heretofore have caused trouble and misunderstanding.

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BOUBOULINA—CAPTAIN IN SKIRTS

For our lead story this week we are indebted to Mr. Basil Vliavinos, Editor and Publisher of The National Herald, a newspaper for the Greek people in America.

The article appeared in that publication under date of May 3 and the subject of the article is one that is of immense interest to all stamp collectors and it was for this reason that we asked permission to reprint the story which has been granted.

Elsewhere in this issue is a brief message of greeting from Mr. Vliavinos, to "Stamp Collectors Everywhere". This message from a man who typifies the strength and courage of the little nation of Greece, a nation which by the grace of God shall rise again and again hold up its proud head among the free nations of this earth.

Bouboulina is pictured on the Independence Centenary stamps of Greece, of the issue of 1930. It is of such people that Postage Stamps tell a story.

Collectors of Seals should be interested in the advertisement on the front page wherein a small booklet and set of the Seals of the National Society for crippled children is offered at 10c. The booklet tells the story of this series of seals and mounted in the booklet is a complete set of the seals from the first in 1934 up to date.

BOUBOULINA—CAPTAIN IN SKIRTS

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glory of the sky in her native island she opened them instead in the grey-black grimness of a Turkish prison. A peculiar place for a little girl to be born. But times were peculiar in more than one way.

It seems that her father, Captain Stavrianos Pinotsis, was embroiled in a revolt against the Turkish Empire. The futile outcome of the insurrection resulted in her father's arrest and imprisonment. His brave young wife frantically rushed to the capital to do her utmost to save him. That is the reason why Laskarina was born there. A prominent member of the Greek community of Constantinople became her godfather. He selected the name Laskarina for her.

Her mother's trip to Constantinople was not so very successful. Captain Stavrianos Pinotsis died a few years later. His young widow then married Demetrios Orloff. Laskarina was then five years of age.

At the age of seventeen the handsome daughter of skipper Stavrianos Pinotsis was married to skipper Yiannouzas. But she was not destined to live long with her husband. At the age of twenty-six she found herself a widow. Her husband was killed in action during a naval clash in the Mediterranean. So was her second husband, Demetrios Bouboulis of Spetses. The latter was to lend his name to the woman who was from then on known as Bouboulina and as such has remained a heroine in the hearts of the Greek people.

Laskarina Bouboulina was a woman of wealth. So much so that the Turkish government, eyeing her considerable property, decided to grab it for its treasury. By a crafty interpretation of the law they decided that the wealthy widow had no right to her inheritance because skipper Bouboulis was an insurgent. However, Bouboulina did not lose hope. She dashed to the capital and managed to save the wealth which she later so lavishly spent for the success of the Revolution.

The Amazon was to have many experiences in Constantinople. By far the most outstanding was her initiation into the Filiki Eteria. So wholeheartedly did she embrace the idea of the cause that upon returning to her island she undertook to initiate many members into the organization. But more than that. She undertook to build a boat and to offer it—at her expense—planks, crew, and all, to the nation.

Her ship was launched at an appropriate time. Just one year before the outbreak of the Revolution. She named it the Agamemnon. It became the strongest, biggest and most outstanding unit of the Greek navy. Its exploits became famous. And the skipper at the helm, calmly surveying the horizon with a clear eye, and steadily steering the ship's course through rain and storm soon became a symbol.

The first days of the Revolution found Bouboulina in a fury of activity. She launched and prepared two other ships besides the Agamemnon. Two of her sons assumed command of the smaller craft while she, the great lady, steered the big one. But her activities did not stop there. Not only did she pay the wages of the crews, not only did she volunteer to arm a whole band of soldiers to join the main army in the Peloponnesos but she also loaded her ship with food and dashed to the rescue of the garrison of Argos at the point when it was about to give up the fight from sheer exhaustion.

The fame of her exploits spread all over the Mediterranean. She was instrumental in carrying out the blockade against the Turkish forces in the Morea. She took part in the blockade of Nauplia. Later of Monemvasia. Up and down, down and up, this undaunted fig-

War Savings Stamps Are Suggested For Postal Use

Protests from philatelic writers finally have brought from the Treasury Department the withdrawal of its ruling that War savings stamps should not be catalogued as collectable material. No concession as yet has been announced with regard to the use of War savings stamps for postage, but as long as there is life there is hope.

The above is from the Sunday Star, Washington, D. C.

Why anyone would make such a suggestion is more than we can understand. There is certainly no justification for such suggestion or such use. The stamps are issued solely as a means of investing and saving small amounts and have no connection whatever with postal service or postage use and any attempt to convert the stamps to such use seems unwarranted and undesirable.

S. P. P. S.

G. Mielsen of Valley Station New York, writes in for inclusion on the membership roll of the S. P. P. S. which he states can also stand for "Stop Purchasing Purple Stamps" or "Stop Printing Purple Stamps."

ure sailed the Greek seas strengthening the resistance of the main army and bringing reinforcements to isolated Greek garrisons all over the coast.

Her seamanship was stupendous. Even old sea dogs were willing to listen to a bit of good advice from the great lady. But then, so were the generals. For, when she abandoned the sea to fight on land, seasoned chiefs listened to her with a respectful ear. She took part in countless skirmishes and roamed all over the Peloponnesos, offering her money and her help and her practical advice at every opportunity. Tripolitsa was not the only town to see her triumphant entrance. The garrison of Argos received her equally enthusiastically. So did the people of Nauplia. And justifiably so. For, when the Turkish officials and the Turkish army finally decided to withdraw, it was to her they turned again for the safe transport of their families into Asia Minor. In this case, as previously in Tripolitsa, the great lady kept her promise.

Laskarina stayed in Nauplia till 1825. Then she decided to go back to Spetses. She did. But she wasn't destined to spend her old age in peace. A stray bullet killed the heroine during a brawl. The woman who braved cannons and battles, who emerged safe from storms at sea and battles on land died of a stray bullet in Spetses. Such are the tricks of destiny.

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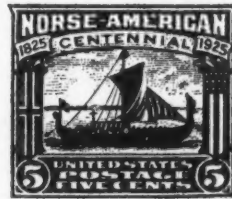
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We do not use the terms good, fine, etc., in our cat. description, for what would be good in an early Ceylon would hardly apply to a recent U. S. Therefore we grade according to the average general condition for the particular stamp involved.

Grade AA—a show piece; Grade A—above average; Grade B—average; Grade C—below average, but still passable; Grade X—defective stamp, presenting good appearance; Grade XX—space filler, included in sale because high cat. or scarcity. Absence of gum not taken into consideration in grading. Lots of 3 or more stamps grading applies to majority of stamps or cat. value.

ACE STAMP CO. METHOD PRAISED BY MANY

At the risk of boring our old readers, I am reprinting articles that have appeared in earlier bulletins—because many of our new readers are not familiar with OUR auction terms—because it will be the subject of discussion at the A P S Convention in Cleveland. I hope these reprints will help formulate a fair set of rules—fair not only to the buyer, but also to the owner.

English As She's Abused—

Webster's definition of the word Good is "possessing desirable qualities." The Stamp Trade defines the same word in auction catalogues as follows—

- Cat. No. 1—Good, perfs may be cut in, off center or heavily cancelled, or perfs clipped.
- Cat. No. 2—Good, usually off centered. May be fairly attractive with small defects.
- Cat. No. 3—Very Good, perfs may touch, may be heavily cancelled, or slight defects.
- Cat. No. 4—Good, one or more of the following defects: thin, straight edge, nibbed perforations, creases, faded, etc.

and so they run—Ad finem, and I humbly ask—what is good about any of them? And if good, can mean what they say, what do they mean by small, fine, minor, ordinary run, etc? If you get what I mean! And why all this "may be" stuff, when in 75% of the cases there isn't any "may be" about it?

I have tried for several years to give a true word-picture of the stamps we offer. I have failed, because I have used terms common in the trade, such as Good, Fair, Fine, etc. The experienced auction buyer has learned by trial and error that in most auctions anything below Fine was Poor or worse. When I described a stamp as Good, I meant Good; the average buyer who hardly ever reads the conditions governing the sale, took it for granted that it was the usual Auction "Good" and passed it up, or bid 10% of cat. Further, what would be considered fine in centering for a 2c 1863 Black Jack, would be poor on any of the Famous Americans. The dividing line cannot be drawn between 19th and 20th Century—consider the difficulty of obtaining finely centered Kans. and Neb., as compared to a set of the same stamps without surcharge. Any rule for grading that does not take into consideration the particular stamp involved will fail and is not fair to the owner.

To set up a hard and fast rule of grading is still more difficult when applied to foreign stamps. The specialist of the first issues of Netherlands expects, and has a right to expect large margins on all four sides. But if he decided to collect the imperf. issues of Chile, he would have to change his standard or do without.

Catalogue descriptions must be equitable to buyer and seller, and yet keep from being too wordy. I believe that the solution is to drop such generalities as Fine, etc. To describe the stamp as it appears—then give it a grade rating for the particular stamp involved. Grading is easy, but depends to a great extent on the integrity and years of experience of the cataloguer.

With all the above in mind, I have adopted a new method and would ask the prospective bidder to read carefully our rules and descriptions at top of auction list.

Lot	UNITED STATES	Cat.
1	C 44 3c 1867 pair (cover front only) brown can., E. Liverpool, Ohio	B 1.75
2	*158 3c 1873 OG-DT at N	B 1.75
3	*213 3c 1887 OG-DT at N	B 2.00
4	*233 4c Columbian OG	B 2.00
5	*235 6c Columbian OG	B 2.00
6	*287 4c Trans Miss OG	B 1.75
7	*288 5c Trans Miss OG-SE at E.C.	B 3.75
8	*305 6c 1902 OG	B 2.50
9	*326 5c La Pur OG-DC at W	B 5.00
10	*327 10c La Pur OG-DC at N & E	C 9.00
11	*368 2c Lincoln imperf.	A 2.50
12	*180 \$5.00 1917, OC at W	B 2.25
13	*501 3c 1917 type 1 OG blk. 4	B 3.00
14	*513 13c 1917 OG blk. 4	A 2.50
15	*515 30c 1917 OG-OC at N & E	B 2.00
16	*524 \$5.00 1918 DT at E	B 2.25
17	*563c 11c yel. gr. 1922 OG blk. 4	A 2.50
18	*591 10c 1923 OG blk. 4	A 4.50
19	*614-616 comp. set Huguenots OG-B	B 2.60
20	*628 5c Erlanson OG blk. 4	B 2.50
21	*662 4c Kans. OG blk. 4	B 4.50
22	*663 5c Kans. OG Pkt. blk. 4, DT at W	B 3.00
23	*664 6c Kans. OG blk. 4-DT at E	B 3.25
24	*771 16c SF Del Air imperf blk. 4	A 2.00
25	*C2 16c top plt 8900, OG	B 4.00
26	*C5 16c OG	B 2.50
27	*E2 10c OG	B 3.50
28	*O48 2c 1873 OG blk. 12 (6x2) imperf. & plt. #38, DC at S	B 12.00
29	*OC16 \$30.00 Fut Del Light cut	A 1.50
30	*OC17 \$50.00 Fut Del Light cut	A 1.50
31	*OC18 \$60.00 Fut Del Light cut	A 1.00
32	*OC19 \$100.00 Fut Del Light cut	A 17.50
33	*OC20 \$500.00 Fut Del Light cut double transfer	A 4.00
34	*OC21 \$1000.00 Fut Del Light cut	A 3.00
35	*WX3 1908 Christmas Seal OG	B 5.00
36	*168 diff. Commemorative Precancel	B 5.00
37	*U. S. Canal Zone C2 25c on 2c OG blk. 4	B 2.00

Lot	FOREIGN	Cat.
38	*U. S. Phil. 325 1p OG	B 6.00
39	C 71 diff. First Days 1929 to 1938, some slightly mishandled	16.10
40	C CAM 17 diff. first flights (all large) during 1926	20.50
41	*Armenia 5, 3k OG	A 6.00
42	*Austria 33, 50kr	B 3.25
43	*Austria 298 10,000kr OG slight crease	C 1.75
44	*Baden 25 30kr DC at S & W, HC	C 30.00
45	*C Bavaria 11 12kr tied to cover	B 10.00
46	*Belgium 11 20c OG	A 12.50
47	*Brazil 171d 50c DC at S & E	B 10.00
48	*Brunswick 1 1gr thin spot	X 40.00
49	*Bulgaria 10 25a	B 3.50
50	*Cameroon 32 5m OG	B 4.00
51	*Denmark 5 8a	B 3.00
52	*Dominica 30 6p OG	B 2.50
53	*Dominica 31 1sh OG	A 2.50
54	*Egypt 157 200m OG (face \$1.00)	A 2.00
55	*Estonia 21 1k OG	A 3.00
56	*Far Eastern Rep. 10 10K on 3 1/2r	A 5.00
57	*France N2 2c, 1 perf nibbed at N	B 4.00
58	*France Turkey 37 5p on 2fr	A 3.00
59	*Germany 13 30gr OG	B 2.50
60	*Germany B19-22 set comp.	B 3.05
61	*Germany C38 2m	B 2.75
62	*Germany C39 4m	A 4.50
63	*Germany China 55 2 1/2d on 5m OG	A 2.50
64	*Germany China 56 1 1/2d on 3m OG	A 2.00
65	*Germany Turkey 58 50c on 40pf OG	B 3.00
66	*Germany Turkey 59 100c on 80pf OG	A 5.00
67	*Greece N60 2p	B 10.00
68	*Greece N61 2 1/2p	B 5.00
69	*Greece N62 5p	B 15.00
70	*Greece N64a 10pa dbl. overprnt.	B 5.00
71	*Hanover 25 3p	B 6.00
72	*Holland 21c 20pf OG, LF	C 7.00
73	*Horta 11 20r	B 5.00

Lot	WHOLESALE LOTS	Cat.
74	*Latvia 2N30 1 1/2r on 35k	B 5.00
75	*Lebanon C48 100pl OG	A 1.50
76	*Liberia 9126 \$5.00 OG-OC at N	B 7.50
77	*Liechtenstein 80 1 1/2fr OG	A 1.75
78	*Lubeck 10 2a DC at S	B 5.00
79	*Lubeck 13 1 1/2a	B 3.00
80	*Luxemburg 5 2c OG	B 4.00
81	*Mecklenburg Strel. 3 1sch OG	B 15.00
82	*Mexico 0197 10c	A 5.00
83	*Newfoundland 48 2c OG blk. 4, DT at E	B 1.20
84	*Newfoundland 138 9c OG	B 1.50
85	*Norway 1 4a	B 4.00
86	*Panama 154 10c	A 6.00
87	*Portugal 17 5r	B 4.00
88	*Prussia 1 4pf	B 5.00
89	*Prussia 8 3gr	B 2.50
90	*Saxony 20 5ng	B 3.00
91	*Saxony 21 5ng	B 2.25
92	*Schleswig Hol. 25 48 OG-DC at S	B 3.00
93	*Straits Trengganu 16 \$1.00 OG	A 2.50
94	*Surinam 11 25c small thin spot	X 9.00
95	*Tuscany 24 1c DC at S	B 6.00
96	*Tuscan Sicilies 13 2g DC at E	B 3.00
97	*Uruguay 11 180c OG	B 5.00
98	*Venezuela 18B 2r OG	B 8.00
99	*Venezuela C14 3.70b OG	A 1.85
100	*Wurttemberg 1 1kr DC at part of S	B 5.00
101	*Wurttemberg 22 9kr DC at N & E	B 5.00
102	*US 158 3c 1873, 11 copies, 3 have SE	19.25
103	*US 183 2c 1879, 12 copies, 5 no gum	C 18.00
104	*US 206 1c 1881, 40 copies, all have defects	50.00
105	*370 3c Alaska 10 copies OG	B 6.50
106	*US R207 96 blocks	9.50
107	*Argentina 348 MRC 100 copies OG	15.00
108	*Leeward Is. 41 18 copies OG	1.08
109	*Venezuela 136, 137, 138, 25 ea. HC	9.00
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*32a	4.00	*90a	.03	*287	.05
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*43b	.10	*92a	.07	*318	.02
*44	.40	*108a	.12	*390	.12
*56a	.45	*129	.07	*395	.05

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*338-343, Navarino complete, OG	.60
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And speaking of Mexico, in making up these packets we noticed that the 1 peso, Scott's No. 719 came in 3 distinct shades, almost different colors—while they last we offer Mexico #719—3 different shades—\$.10

2500 FACE DIFFERENT Variety Packets

These packets were assembled by us from a dealer's stock. They do not contain an excess of Germany, Austria, etc. In fact all our variety packets are limited to not more than 5% of any one country. It is an excellent buy at our special price for July Only at \$4.50.

BORN 30 YEARS TOO LATE

Subject for review—"Price Catalogue of the Adhesive Postage and Stamp-Envelopes of the United States Only. Second 1882 Edition, Describing 491 varieties—254 adhesives, 237 envelopes—Compiled by E. B. Sterling" (Aside to George Linn—Why not publish some biographic sketches of outstanding figures of early American Philately, as for instance E B Sterling?)

Collecting U. S. stamps in the early eighties was simple. Then, according to this catalogue, there were only 254 adhesive stamps, this included all the post master provisionals, regular issues, postage dues, newspapers, departments, seals and carriers. Today the post master provisionals and regular issues up to 5c brown Garfield comprise about 240 major varieties, to say nothing of hundreds of minor varieties totally lacking in the catalogue of 1882. In those days, if you had two copies of the 3c Bank Note—1 grided, 1 without—you had them all. No fuss about secret marks, hard or soft paper, etc.

Some other items of interest—stamps were unperfected, today they are imperforated. Grided stamps were described as grided on back, all others plain backs. (Grills must have broken through the front since then days.) The pictures on the newspaper stamps were variously described as "Female, scales in left hand," "Female with shield," "Female with book and pencil," etc. The P. O. Dept. stamps were split into two series, one on bluish surfaced paper, the other on white paper.

No review of an old time catalogue would be complete without some price comparison so here goes—all comparison for used copies.

	1882	1942
5c New York	\$1.00	\$5.00
10c 1847	.50	35.00
24c 1854 imperf (yes, that's right)	2.00	Not listed
90c 1857	.50	100.00
24c 1861	.08	10.00
24c 1869 picture inverted	25.00	1200.00
7c 1870 grided	.05	11.00

At the back of the catalogue are two pages of packets, we recommend them highly as being good values, and a sound buy as for instance "Packet No. 4 containing 15 varieties 1869 to 1870 adhesive postage, including such scarce values as 7c, 12c, 15c, 24c, 30c and 90c used—all for 25c." (I'll take the 90c and give Junior the rest to play with.)

I regret that we are just fresh out of the above—but our "Ace High" packet of 100 different commemoratives at \$1.00 is as good a buy today as packet No. 4 was in 1882. Let's have your order today.

The catalogue described above is without cover and lacks the illustrations mentioned on the title page. It is for sale for 50c—first 50c gets it, all other half dollars get one of the above described 100 commemoratives that we sell regularly for \$1.00. WHAT CAN YOU LOSE?

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Stamp Tax May Burden All Stamp Collectors

There will be no Boston Tea Party if the proposal to tax stamp collections as put forth in Washington, D. C., becomes the universal practice. James Waldo Fawcett in the Sunday Star of July 5th states that "Stamp and coin collectors in the District of Columbia are to be required to pay taxes on their sumismatic and Philatelic possessions." Fawcett states that the personal property tax forms which have just been distributed in the District call for estimates of value on all stamp and coin collections held by residents of the District. Owners are expected to report the true value of the property.

Once put into effect in Washington, we can expect this new source of tax dollars to be uncovered in many other states and collectors will then have the opportunity to check up and decide just what their stamps are worth.

THE N. Y. MARKET IS NOW THE WORLD'S FOREMOST
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VOX-POP

Muncie, Indiana, 7, 9, 1942.
Dear Sirs:

Have just read your "Artist's Error" article. In addition to this mistake it seems to me that the eagle is more in a position of surrendering than of victory. I think you will find that the word "POSTAGE" is spelled "POST-ACE", or that's the way it is on the stamps I bought today.

I have often wondered how the Wabash river became misplaced on the first Northwest stamp and crossed the state of Illinois instead of forming part of the boundary between Illinois and Indiana.

James McPetridge,
2241 Fox Ave. Madison, Wis.
July 12, 1942.

George W. Linn
Sidney, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Linn:

While going through some old, old magazines that I came into possession of recently, I came across several items that I thought would interest other stamp fans and so I pass them along.

Here is one that we cover hounds who look with tears in our eyes for covers of pre-civil war days will read with gnashing of teeth; and what a nice return

these dead letters would bring our Uncle Sam today. Taken from Gleason's Pictorial Drawing Room Companion of Feb. 11, 1854 page 95;

"Lately 942 bushels of dead letters were burnt in Washington near the National Monument. What a conflagration."

It is quite evident that publishers had their troubles in days of long ago as well as in current times as witness the following item taken from BALLOU'S PICTORIAL March 3, 1855;

"Pay your POSTAGE. No letter addressed to this establishment are taken from the Postoffice unless PRE-PAID. Those who have addressed us without pre-paying postage, will therefore understand the reason why they have received no response."

Then here is one for you fellows who are up on the literary end of this serious business of stamp collecting, taken from BALLOU'S in 1855;

"Our friend Holbrook, special post-office agent is getting up a book called "Ten years among the Mail bags" Ever hear of it?

Yours very sincerely,
Paul J. Pierce
Why of course George I read LINN'S every week.

24 Year Old Street Car Mail Service Stop

From Robert A. Lawrence of Knoxville, Tenn., comes the following newspaper clipping that tells of the stopping of the 24 year old pickup mail service that has been in effect in Knoxville since the last world war. Date of discontinuance being July, 1, 1942.

Knoxville Transit Lines will stop the 24-year-old practice of picking up mail, effective tomorrow, Mike Kraemer, KTL official, announced today.

"It is necessary to discontinue that service in order to comply with a request by the Office of Defense Transportation," he said. "We have been ordered to reduce the number of car and bus stops."

The company inherited an agreement made by its predecessors, who began the practice of carrying the mail largely as a safeguard against strikes and violence.

The theory was that workers and strike sympathizers would not dare to interfere with operation of vehicles carrying U. S. mail.

Mr. Kraemer said an average of about 350 pieces of mail have been picked up daily by KTL

cars, and that the service was costing the company about \$3000 a year.

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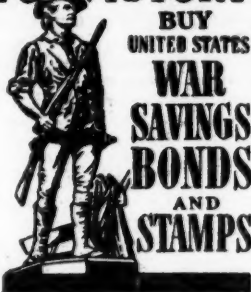
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FREE FOREIGN COIN, BANKNOTE and large 36 page illustrated coin catalogue to approval service applicants. Send 3c postage. Tatham Coinco, Springfield, 110, Mass. (12)

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COVERS

CENSORED COVERS, 5 FOR 50 CENTS, stamp brings list of covers. Dept. B. Bee and Gee, 411 St. Louis St., Toledo, Ohio. (18)

COVERS—FIVE NEWFOUNDLAND 25c; 1841 Britain No. 3 imperf. 15c (five copies 60c); ten Canadian 25c; five foreign 25c. Midway Stamps, 5 Reynolds Place, Toronto, Canada. (17)

GOLDEN YEAR OF TRACTOR HISTORY Printed Cachet cover commemorating 50th Anniversary of Gasoline Tractor. Mailed from site of its invention. 5c coin or stamps. Froelich Memorial Committee, Froelich, Iowa. (17)

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ILLINOIS STAMP EXCHANGE requires no cash. Unique features. Particulars 3c stamp. Box 144, Bradford, Illinois. (eow30)

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SEND 100 OR MORE UNITED STATES Precancels, or commemoratives. Receive quality foreign. National Philatelic Exchange, 4842 N. Tripp, Chicago, Ill. (16)

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FREE! \$1 AND \$5 U. S. STAMPS TO approval applicants enclosing postage. Geo. W. Wentz, San Marcos, Tex. (12)

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LOOKING FOR FINE 1c to 5c FOREIGN approvals? Murhush, Station A, Box 5031 L, Indianapolis, Indiana. (22)

25 CANADA 3c WITH BIG BARGAINS on approval, 1/4c up. Josil Babcock, St. Joseph, Michigan. (32)

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USED GEO. VI ON APPROVAL! (Pictorial from Grenada, Falklands, etc.) Schusterman, 570 West 189th, New York. (21)

70% DISCOUNT MINT MEXICO #401-4, #566-71, #517-24, and #593-602. L. Kusmierz, 6574 Willette, Detroit, Mich. (24)

"SELL US YOUR DUPLICATES AND get stamps you want from our Approval Books by countries reasonably priced. Tonka Specialty Co., Box 157, Fort Wayne, Ind." (24)

SUMMER APPROVAL BARGAINS! General countries, sets, want lists. Send today. L. MacLean, 1610 So. Third, Maywood, Ill. (20)

FREE TO NEW APPROVAL APPLICANTS, stamp from 25 different countries. DeLuxe Stamp Club, 337 W. 61st St., Chicago, Ill. (16)

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1900-20 YEAR BEFORE AND 20 YEARS AFTER. 20 Good Stamps for a Dime with approvals. O. G. Matthews, Pottsville, Penna. (16)

NEWFOUNDLAND—5c GRENFELL MINT 6c to new applicants for fine foreign approvals. Royal Stamp Co., 2814 Avenue D, Brooklyn, N. Y. (17)

YOUR CHOICE ALL DIFFERENT. 9 Fiume, or 10 Palestine, or 10 Burma only 5c to approval applicants. All three offers 10c. Wonder Lake Stamp Co., Ringwood, Ill. (19)

POSTAL ZOO, 25 ALL DIFFERENT stamps picturing animals and birds of the world, for only 10c to approval applicants. M. Luckert, Dept. B, Haleshorpe, Md. (18)

INTRODUCTORY OFFER—A POSTCARD will bring high value penny book of 500 selected stamps—keep 10 free. Ken Robinson 1720 1/2 Andreo, Torrance, California. (16)

K. O. THOSE BLANK SPACES WITH O. K. Penny Junco Approval Books 40 page check-list and price-list free with first selection. O. K. Stamp, 100 Lincoln, Centralia, Ill. (16)

CANAL ZONE—PANAMA CANAL Commemorative and Ecuador with U. S. flag in natural colors, also giant diamond triangle, Morocco, ex-nazi colony, royal air force pilot, etc.—all 3c with approvals. Potomac Stamp Co., Dept. 6, Washington, D. C.

TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE! FOR NEW approval applicants. Send 10c defense stamp. Receive Nicaragua Will Rogers airmail complete; Netherlands Curacao commemorative; Belgian Rubens; others. First 100 receive extra scarce war commemorative retail 25c. State interest. Reference: The Stamp Heaven, Box 270, Flushing, New York. (12)

FOREIGN APPROVAL

A STAMP CATALOGED AT A DOLLAR or more from the South or Central American country you care to choose, excluding British colonies, in a general foreign packet. 10c with approvals. R. Irwin, 25 1/2 Spring Street, Houlton, Maine. (17)

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50 MIXED SOUTH AMERICANS 25c, better grade. Philip L. White, Box 502, Torrington, Conn. (16)

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FUTURE RARITIES—FREE POLAND—London issue Scott's 3K1 3K3 complete used \$1.10. Limited quantity, rush your order. Ampol, 2327 Charleston, Chicago, Illinois. (16)

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PUBLICATIONS

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U. S. Commemorative Stamp Facts

(Reprinted from the booklet of the same title by Captain A. C. Townsend).

THE ERICSSON 5c STAMP

This stamp was issued to honor the memory of John Ericsson, inventor and builder of the "Monitor," the famous "cheese box on a raft" that defeated the Confederate ram "Merrimac" at Hampton Roads, Va., on March 9, 1862, an event that changed naval warfare and enabled the Union to keep up a blockade that had much to do with the final defeat of the Confederacy. The design is a practical reproduction of the statue of Mr. Ericsson which was made by J. E. Frazer, placed in Washington near the Lincoln Memorial and unveiled by the Crown Prince of Sweden on the day the stamp was issued. Mr. Ericsson was of Swedish birth but a naturalized American citizen.

Former Stamp Man Is Now City Editor

Witmer Eberle, manager and proprietor of a stamp company in Mount Joy, Pa. has accepted a position as City Editor of the Canandaigua N. Y. Daily Messenger. Mr. Eberle has contributed stamp and hobby articles to various magazines and papers in U. S. A., Canada, Great Britain, British Guiana and France in addition to conducting a mail stamp company.

He was connected with daily newspapers for more than 10 years in the news rooms having worked in Lancaster, Pa.; Harrisburg, Pa.; Danbury, Conn.; Stamford, Conn.; Fitchburg, Mass.; Nyack, N. Y.; Middletown, N. Y.; Olean N. Y. and Philadelphia, Pa. For several years he sponsored Santa Claus and President Roosevelt birthday cachets.

The 5c—Ericsson Memorial—was issued on May 29, 1926, unwatermarked and perf. 11. It is recorded in gray lilac, deep gray lilac and purplish gray, light blue varieties and shades being due to exposure of the stamp to sunlight. No minor varieties are known.

20,280,379 of the stamps were printed, from plates 18595, 18597 to 601, 18606 to 09, 18612 and 18613. They were printed from 200 subject plates, divided by horizontal and vertical guide lines and cut on those into sheets of 50 before issue, so there are 12 position blocks.

First day covers are from New York, Chicago and Minneapolis, although again the official announcement stated the stamps would also be on first day sale in Washington and at the Agency.

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WIN THE WAR FIRST DAY SALE FIGURES

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U. S. AUCTION PRICES

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and fine, @ \$2.50. A Stampless "Hudson: River Mail N. Y." and "5" in red, dated 1849, @ \$2.00 Washington on horseback patriotic with #65, rose pink, tied, Walcott #72, @ \$2.60. Eagle and flags on rock, with #65 tied and pmkd. Old Pt. Comfort, Walcott #2523, @ \$2.00. Soldier's Letter with flag in red, censored by officer and pmkd. New Haven, Ky. with "Due 3," V. F., @ \$3.90. #70, tied on cover, Washington to England, dated May 4, 1863, with flags and "N. Y. Packet Paid" in red, fine only, @ \$17.75. Soldier's letter, U. S. Dragoons on horseback, #65, tied with Va. town, @ \$5.000 #44, tied Wash., D. C., on small cover with star in circle, @ \$2.15. #65 on envelope with caricature of Jeff's March on Washington, unlisted, @ \$3.60. #65 on small cover showing Mr. Davis About Harper's Ferry, Mass. town pmk, unlisted, @ \$4.25. #33 tied, Phila. pmk, addressed to Halifax, handstamped "5" and "10," Boston Packet, "Per Steamer America" in Ms., @ \$2.40. #U10 envelope with N. Y. and Boston Steam R. R. in large black circle, V. F., @ \$3.90. #33, tied Portland, Me., dated 1854, @ \$2.40. #42f, New York Carrier 1c, tied, 1860, @ \$2.00 #44 on envelope, covered with globe, lithograph of the American Board of Foreign Mission's stamp tied PAID, "Boston" red pmk., @ \$3.30. #210, tied on entire with New Orleans, 1885, illustrated over entire env. with buildings of the Cotton Centennial Exposition, @ \$4.90. Several lots of autographic material were sold. A Presidential, M. Van Buren frank on piece of cover with Bloods City Despatch, @ \$3.25. In Philatelic Literature, the Boston Revenue book, dated 1889, @ \$6.00. Illustrated booklet of the Alaska-Yukon Expos., 1909, @ \$3.00. Official catalogue of the German Empire exhibits of the Columbian Expos., @ \$4.25. Waterhouse collection auction catalogue, 1924, including set of plates, @ \$2.00.

James Waldo Fawcett Speaks Of Gag Rule

A paragraph in the Sunday Star, Washington, of July 12, reads as follows: "The 3c 'Win the War' propaganda issue is being referred to as 'the Wrong Way Corrigan stamp'—because the arrows are aimed one way and the eagle faces another." Immediately below the above paragraph we read, "Official propaganda bureaus look with disfavor upon 'gags' about postage stamps."

Mr. Fawcett is certainly demonstrating in the good old American way that American newspapers do not approve of gag rule. We might fur-

ther suggest that the way to prevent gags about postage stamps is to put out postage stamps that do not merit gags about postage stamps.

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MANY ITEMS OF OLD LINPRINT STOCK EXHAUSTED

Of the remnants of the Old Linprint Stock of merchandise which I purchased on May 2 and moved here to Sidney, many of the items are entirely sold out. The following explanation should interest the people who inquired about this material.

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We have two large cartons of Cover Albums. A careful examination of this material shows us that we are short a few of the Brass Screw Posts with which to make these up, also we are short of having quite enough paper for insides of all binders we have. We do however have the completed and finished binders—and are trying to locate enough Brass Screw Posts to complete them and will then get enough paper to balance up the whole lot. The albums are only of two kinds, both very similar. The COMPACT ALBUM and the B & B ALBUM.

We do not expect to have these ready for delivery before September 1st or thereabout. Several people have already written us about these albums. When ready for delivery, they will be priced at \$1.00 for the Compact Album which formerly sold at \$1.50. Only about 36 are on hand and orders will be accepted and set aside for those who want them. We already have a few spoken for.

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ration of the South American mainland. Columbus, in 1498, had sailed around Trinidad, touching at present day Puerto Colon and skirting the northern coast as far as the Isle of Margarito, to which he gave its name, only to return to his base at Santo Domingo. A year later came a former companion of Columbus, Alonso de Ojeda, with a company of explorers. One of the company was Amerigo Vespucci whose name the continent was one day to bear.

Putting into Lake Maracaibo, the explorers found native villagers living in shelters set on piles along the swampy shores. Struck with a resemblance, they gave to their discovery the name of "Venezuela,"—"Little Venice." It was not for them to know, not in their wildest imaginings of treasure to be come upon in this wilderness could they have dreamed that beneath the waters of the lake and under their feet, as they picked their way through jungle swamp, was a treasure vault of "black gold,"—petroleum, a mineral so precious in an age of science and invention centuries away that wars would be fought for its possession.

Gold there was in Venezuela, and precious stones, chief lures in Spanish quest. They are still there. But in the economy of the twentieth century they take a place subordinate to the petroleum deposits of the lowlands. Today Venezuela is producing more oil than are all the other Latin American nations combined and is outpaced only by the United States and Russia. And there are

large regions unexplored, notably the wild country of the upper Orinoco. "River of Mystery."

Geographically, Venezuela is an agricultural country. And if oil has drawn interest and workers from the farms, a progressive and wide-awake Government is seeing to it that this latter source of wealth and widespread prosperity is in no way neglected. In the mountainous regions of the Andean and Coastal Ranges the climate is temperate and the soil good. This is the most populous section of the country. From here comes the bulk and the best of Venezuelan coffee, once economic backbone of the country and still its major agricultural export. Cocoa, sugar, corn, cotton, fruits and vegetables, with the cattle, meats and hides from the Central plains and the lumber and cabinet woods from the Guayana Highlands in the south, are other important items in Venezuelan export trade.

As the Orinoco and its tributaries drain almost the entire territory of the nation, so are modern highways reaching out as aid to commerce or to open rich but undeveloped regions. Thirty years ago Venezuelan highways were practically non-existent. Today a 6,000-mile network spreads fan-like over the half of the country north of the Orinoco and Opure Rivers. Trunk lines run west and south from Caracas, the Capital. Chief among them is the Simon Bolivar highway. Paved or surfaced over most of its distance, this road connects most of the principal cities of the nation and

More About A Lidice Stamp As Department Officials Pass Buck

An editorial in this Issue of Linn's Weekly Stamp News discusses a Lidice stamp with reference to a telegram from Third Assistant Postmaster General Ramsay S. Black, denying its probable issue and New York Newspapers touting it as coming.

Here then is a clipping from the Washington Sunday Star of July 12, in which James Waldo Fawcett announces the stamp.

"The Office of Facts and Figures has commissioned Paul F. Berdanier of New York and his co-operating artists to design a war propaganda stamp. It is stipulated that the composition must represent the village of Lidice, the Czechoslovakian community allegedly destroyed by the Germans early last month. The drawing is to include the slogan 'We Won't Forget' and the phrase 'United States Postage 3 Cents.'"

A special memorandum issued by Mr. Berdanier under date of July 7 says: "I have already asked T. M. Cleland, W. A. Dwiggin, Rockwell Kent, Hugo Steiner-Prag, Rudolph Ruzicka and Edward A. Wilson to make up the basic working committee, and I

forms the Venezuelan sector of the Pan American Highway. Completed the system will link the capitals of Venezuela, Colombia and Ecuador, the three countries which composed the early republic of Greater Colombia, of which Bolivar was president.

Linked in the patriotism of the Venezuelan are two facts of his country's history. One is that the republic flowered from the first Spanish colony of the New World to proclaim its independence through an elected Congress. The other is that it was the great Bolivar, himself a Venezuelan, who led the army of patriots in 1823 when the last Spanish force was driven from the country.

1942 DUCK STAMP DESIGN

"Baldpates along a coastal marsh," says a Department of the Interior press release, "are the subject of the 1942 migratory waterfowl hunting stamp, ninth in the annual series issued by the Federal Government for sale at post offices. Reproduced from a drypoint by A. Russell Ripley, the new design shows a pair of the baldpate ducks, also called widgeons, with a second male coming in to join them." William K. Schrage, Bureau of Engraving and Printing artist, made the drawing for the frame and lettering, and Carl T. Arit and George L. Huber did the engraving. The denomination, as usual is \$1. Plate numbers: 149,599 and 149,600.—Sunday Star, Washington, D. C.

Artist Displays Real War Stamp Designs To Washington Officialdom

The Washington Star of July 5th contains in the stamp column of James Waldo Fawcett, an illustration of Paul Berdanier, noted New York artist, displaying to Washington Postoffice Department Officials several of the proposed designs for a real set of Fighting War Stamps.

Perhaps the new Canadian series which has just made its appearance may exert some influence in bringing a real set of War Stamps to America.

am also trying to get Paul Man-ship to agree to be a member of this group."

One of the difficulties of the assignment is that of obtaining photographs of Lidice from which to work. A picture in Time Magazine for June 22 has been alleged to show the village as it was before the start of the war, but there is some question about both its accuracy and its suitability for stamp use."



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We know every one of you would do this if we could meet you face to face and ask you for the money but that is impossible. We must trust to your interest in these friends who are going to fight your battle for you. It will take but a minute of your time to address an envelope as below, enclose therein a few current mint stamps, a coin, a war savings stamp or even a dollar bill if you will. If you prefer, send a few good stamps which may be included in an auction lot and we will auction them through the columns of this paper and apply the proceeds to this fund. Not a penny of expense is to be charged against this fund, except the price of the subscriptions and we volunteer to give one free for every ten that are paid for.

It is so easy to give that we can not fail to understand how you can neglect this opportunity to do something for the fellows who may be called upon to give all for you. Just a few cents or more if you can spare it for while we have near 12,000 on our mailing list, we regret that but a few of them will heed this call. Why not awaken to this call now, this campaign can not carry on for months, we want to start these papers to the boys in August, we want to print a list of the names of donors so that all boys in all USO camps can see your name, the name of their good old friend back home listed among those who are sending Linn's Weekly to all U. S. O. Club Rooms.

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